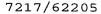


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in re applic	cation of:	Toshiyuki Arai et al.	
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Group A.U	J.:	2651	
Date	:	November 24, 2004	
Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450			
Sir:			
Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.			
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of August 27, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests that the above-identified application be amended as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this Amendment.

The Remarks portion begins on page 15 of this Amendment.